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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Section 63.71 Application of)
)
AT&T Corp.)
For Authority Pursuant to Section 63.71 of the)
Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.17,)
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF AT&T CORP.

AT&T Inc. on behalf of its affiliate AT&T Corp. ("AT&T") requests authority under Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, to discontinue Fractional T3 Channel service. As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, AT&T provides the following information in support of its discontinuance request:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

AT&T Corp., One AT&T Way, Bedminster, NJ 07921

Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

AT&T intends to discontinue offering Fractional T3 Channel service to new customers on or after November 15, 2011, subject to Commission authorization to discontinue the service pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c). AT&T will continue to provide this service to existing customers until their contracts expire or until December 31, 2012, whichever occurs first.

Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

AT&T will discontinue Fractional T3 Channel service throughout the continental United States and the District of Columbia.

Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Fractional T3 Channel service is a dedicated, point-to-point digital interoffice channel service supporting speeds of 4.63 Mbps, 6.18 Mbps, 7.72 Mbps and 10.81 Mbps.

AT&T is discontinuing this service because there is very low demand for this service in the marketplace.¹ The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by the discontinuance of this service because AT&T offers Private Line DS3 or Multi-Protocol Label Switching based VPN service as alternatives.

Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

AT&T notified its customers by letter sent via U.S. mail on September 15, 2010. A copy of the customer notification is appended hereto as Attachment A.

Copies of this Application are being sent, first class U.S. Mail, to the public utilities commission and governor of each state and territory in which discontinuance is proposed and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

AT&T is considered a non-dominant carrier in its provision of Fractional T3 Channel service.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Toni Acton, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3039.

¹ Currently, AT&T has less than 10 subscribers of this service.

Conclusion:

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of AT&T Fractional T3 Channel service because there are alternative services provided by AT&T and competing providers. AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue Fractional T3 Channel service.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment A



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September 15, 2011



**Important Notice regarding Changes in Service of
Fractional T3 Channel (FT3 Channel) Service provided by AT&T Corp.
Effective 11/15/2011**

Thank you for using AT&T for your business service needs. We want to make you aware of planned changes to your Fractional T3 (FT3) Service which requires your coordination and action in the near future.

Our records indicate active AT&T FT3 Service to the following address(es):



Effective November 15, 2011, pending regulatory approval, FT3 Channel Service provided by AT&T Corp will be grandfathered. As a result, FT3 Channel Service will no longer be available to new customers in the continental United States and the District of Columbia as of that date.

As a *current* AT&T customer with FT3 Channel Service, you may retain your existing service(s) in accordance with the terms of your existing contract, until the service is discontinued as provided below, with the following restrictions:

Effective November 15, 2011, Moves, Additions, and Change orders for FT3 Channel Service will no longer be accepted. After November 15, 2011, new requests for physical changes to your service including the upgrade or downgrade within FT3 speeds, installation of new FT3 service, or moves to different service addresses will not be provisioned.

Effective December 31, 2012, provision of FT3 Channel Service to existing customers will be discontinued.

To help ensure service continuity, it is recommended that you transition to an alternate service arrangement by July 31, 2012.

While withdrawing FT3 Channel Service, we offer multiple products as replacement solution(s).

Private Line DS3 Service. Private Line DS3 Service would provide all of the benefits of the FT3 Channel service which you've experienced, but at a full 45M speed instead of the lower speed you are utilizing today. Private Line Service provides dedicated, secure connectivity at low latency between your various end points

Another possible replacement is AT&T VPN Service. AT&T VPN Service is our premier Multi-protocol Label Switching (MPLS) based virtual private network service delivered via the world-class AT&T Global Network, with nearly \$1 Billion invested to expand our network reach, enhance performance and deliver new service capabilities. With AT&T VPN Service, you will benefit from:

- Access to our reliable worldwide network, backed by service level agreements (SLAs) for on-time provisioning, site availability and performance (latency, data delivery, and jitter).
- New service capabilities, including native mode Multicast support, MultiLink PPP, additional Class of Service (CoS) options, and robust Security Services.
- Extensive Support from dedicated customer care and technical marketing teams, including access to a powerful suite of online monitoring and management tools via our AT&T BusinessDirect® portal.

If you have questions concerning migration activities please email Shawn Maguire sm8943@att.com so we may assist you in this transition.

AT&T regrets any inconvenience the discontinuance of FT3 Channel Service may cause and will work with you to make your transition to a new solution as smooth as possible.

Thank you for using AT&T.

Sincerely,

Timothy E. Fisher
Senior Product Marketing Manager
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AT&T is required by the FCC to provide the following statement

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the section §63.71 application of AT&T Corp. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do certify that I have, on this 27th day of September 2011, served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the addresses on the following sheets:

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